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U. H. I. saith that the aforesaid Lord Proprietary, his Action aforesaid thereof against him to have and maintain ought not, because he saith that after the making the Writing Obligatory aforesaid, and before the suing out of the original Writ in the Plea aforesaid the p. 130 said Edward did well and truly serve the said Lord Proprietary in the Office of high Sheriff of the County of Dorchester, within the Province aforesaid and in all things well and faithfully did execute the same Office, and also did render unto his said Lordship and other, his Officers, a true faithful and perfect Account of all and singular his said Lordship's Rights and Dues, and to his Officers a true and just Account of their ffees, that he was entrusted with by his said Lordship's Governour and other his Officers within this Province to receive and Collect and his Acco. to his said Lordship and to his Governour here for the time being for the Fines and Forfeitures and other Dues belonging to his said Lordship's Governour as also his Account of all Fees, Dues, and Sums of Money or Tobacco due to any of the good People within this Province, or any Sum or Sums of Money or Tobacco wherewith the said Edward was entrusted during the time of his Shrievalty, for that present or to such of them as did require the same, did pass and render by the tenth day of May then next ensuing the date of the said Writing, Obligatory, and in all other Things as Sheriff of the County of Dorchester did behave himself well and honestly to all Persons, according to the best of his Power, Skill, and Knowledge, and this he is ready to verify, wherefore he prays Judgment if the aforesaid Lord Proprietary, his Action aforesaid thereof against him to have and maintain ought &.

And the said Attorny General saith that the said Lord Proprietary by any thing above in pleading alledged from having his Action aforesaid ought not to be precluded, because he saith that the aforesaid Edward was from the aforesaid twelfth Day of July in the year of our Lord 1740, to the 19.th day of August in the Year of Our Lord 1741. Sheriff of Dorchester County aforesaid (to wit) at the said County, and that during the Continuance of the said Edward in the said Office he the said Edward by an Act of Assembly of this Province made and passed at a session of Assembly begun and held at the City of Annapolis the 23.d day of April in the Year of our Lord 1740: entituled, An Act for issuing and paying out of the office of the Commissioners, or Trustees for emitting Bills of Credit, established by Act of Assembly the Sum of two thousand five hundred and sixty two pounds, ten Shillings Current Money in Bills of Credit to be applied for the Encouragement of Persons, voluntarily enlisting themselves in his Majesty's p. 140 Service, was as Sheriff of the said County at the County aforesaid authorized, and required to collect and levy from the several Taxables of the said County, the Sum of £35..9.8.. current Mony and the